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BURLESON CEMETERY SMITHVILLE, TX

Members of the Burleson Family met at the cemetery on June 18, 2022 a Saturday, JD Burleson, April Burleson Chester, Brenda & John DeSimone, Debra Jordon, with the owner of the land Bill Stevens. The purpose was to film a demonstration of cleaning markers for the Burleson Family Association (BFA) Reunion and Board Meeting in Austin Texas. We decided to clean the grave marker of Joseph Burleson Sr.



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William Bill Stephens, is a descendant of Joseph Burleson and owner of the land the Burleson

Cemetery is on.

After





Brenda & John DeSimone, Debra Jordon & Bill Stephens

We also visited, Rector Cemetery **Descendants of Aaron Burleson**

AARON⁶ BURLESON (JOSEPH R (JOE) SR⁵, AARON⁴, JONATHAN³, JOHN², EDWARD¹) was born 24 Nov 1805 in JACKSON CO, TN, and died 15 Jul 1868 in SMITHVILLE, BASTROP CO, TX 37386081. He married MARIDA HALLMARK 29 Jan 1824. She was born 08 Oct 1808 in MADISON CO, AL, and died 01 Aug 1888 in FAYETTE CO, TX.

Children of AARON BURLESON and MARIDA HALLMARK

are:

- i. NANCY⁷ BURLESON, b. 1833; d. 1838
- ii. ELIZABETH BURLESON, b. 1836; d. 1903.
- iii. JOHN BAPTIST BURLESON, b. 09 Jan 1839; d. 20 Nov 1903, TX FAG#37386082; m. MARTHA JANE ROBBINS, 13 Nov 1856; b. 16 Oct 1840, FRANKLIN CO, TN; d. 02 Feb 1913, BASTROP, BASTROP CO, TX FAG#118678061.
- iv. AARON BURLESON, b. 1843, TX; d. Bet. 1875 1880, BASTROP, TX; m. LAURA HARDEMAN; b. 1848, TX; d. Aft. 1894.
 - v. LAURA MARILDA BURLESON, b. 1847; d. 1925.
 - vi. ABIGAIL BURLESON, b. 1852, TX.





Another favorite picture of mine, at a earlier BFA Reunion, I think in 2014/15. Mute, Sue, and Margaret.

LOUIS (MUTE) JR¹² BURLESON (LOUIS ALMOND¹¹, BENJAMIN LEE¹⁰, JOHN JOSEPH (JOE)⁹, SILAS⁸, JOSEPH', JOHN WASHINGTON⁶, DAVID BURLESON⁵ SR, JOHN (???)4 BURLESON, JONATHAN3, JOHN2, EDWARD1) was born 16 Jan 1927, and died 28 Jun 2017 in TYLER, TX FAG#180863399. He married MARGARET COKER 17 Jun 1948. She was born 28 Dec 1927.



Children of LOUIS BURLESON and MARGARET COKER are:

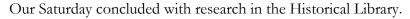
- i. LOUIS WAYNE¹³ BURLESON, b. 05 Feb 1949; d. 24 Nov 2009, FAG#44794626.
- ii. PAUL BURLESON, m. TERRI.
- SUE BURLESON, m. JACK JOHNSON.



Saturday we went to lunch at



Then we went to the Smithville Historical Society & Museum and meet with the President Ralph Smucker and Historian David Herrington



Sunday June 19th we went back to the Burleson Cemetery. JD Burleson, April Burleson Chester, John & Brenda DeSimone amd Bill Stephens where we met Leslie Horan and her 3 children, Landon Lockhart, Elissa and Ben Horan

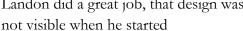


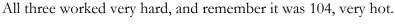
First the kids started listing names and numbering the location of each stone.

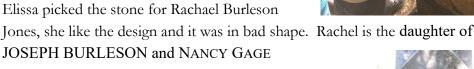
After we finished filming they all picked a marker and started cleaning



Landon did a great job, that design was









Descendants of Wm D. C. Jones

WM D. C.² JONES (JAMES¹) was born 13 Dec 1799 in King and Queen Co, VA, and died 18 Apr 1893 in

Belmont, Gonzales Co, TX. He married RACHEL BURLESON 04 Sep 1822 in Lawrence Co, AL, daughter of JOSEPH BURLESON and NANCY GAGE. She was born 14 Apr 1803 in Tipton Co, TN, and died 19 Feb 1866 in Bastrop, TX 38018112. Children of WM JONES and RACHEL BURLESON are:



- i. NANCY JANE BURLESON³ JONES, b. 04 Oct 1823, MARION CO, AL; d. 17 Jan 1879, WOODVILLE, TYLER CO, TX 45455410; m. STEPHEN BURR DR JOHNSON; b. 21 Dec 1819, HADDAM, MIDDLESEX CO, CONN; d. 01 Sep 1880, WOODVILLE, TYLER CO, TX 45455413.
- ii. JAMES JONES, b. 15 Jul 1825.
- iii. ELIZABETH JONES, b. 19 Mar 1827.
- iv. GEORGE WASHINGTON JONES, b. 05 Sep 1828.
- v. Anna Marie Jones, b. 19 Jun 1831.
- vi. CHARLES HILL JONES, b. 20 Dec 1833.
- vii. WILLIAM HENRY JONES, b. 06 Oct 1836.
- viii. Benjamin Franklin Jones, b. 06 Oct 1838.
- ix. PATSY JONES, b. 25 Jun 1840.

Nov 1907 in BASTROP CO, TX FAG#41162640.

x. JOSEPH BURLESON JONES, b. 13 Sep 1842.

Ben cleaning John B Taylor' stone.

JOHN BURLESON DR² TAYLOR (*LEVI H P*¹) was born 30 Nov

1822 in MORGAN CO, AL, and died 14 Feb 1923 in SAN ANTONIO, BEXAR CO, TX FAG#38018115. He married (1) SUSAN MINERVA BURLESON 30 May 1860 in BASTROP CO, TX, daughter of JOSEPH BURLESON and ALLIE SEATON. She was born 1842 in ARKANSAS, and died 21 Nov 1867 in FAG#38018116. He married (2) NANCY ANN BURLESON 06 Feb 1872 in BASTROP CO, TX, daughter of JOSEPH BURLESON and ALLIE SEATON. She was born 17 Jan 1829 in TIPTON CO, TN, and died

Children of JOHN TAYLOR and SUSAN BURLESON are:

- i. YANCY DAVIS³ TAYLOR, b. 18 Mar 1861, SMITHVILLE, BASTROP CO, TX; d. 20 Jul 1942, REGAN WELLS,, YVALDE CO, TX; m. ELIZABETH BURLESON, 1891; b. 1873; d. 1944.
- ii. JOHN M TAYLOR, b. Sep 1863, SMITHVILLE, BASTROP CO, TX.
- iii. TEMPY SUSIE TAYLOR, b. Nov 1865, TX; d. 10 Jul 1962, EL PASO CO, TX; m. ALBERT GRANVILLE SR FAWCETT, 29 Apr 1891, BASTROP CO, TX.

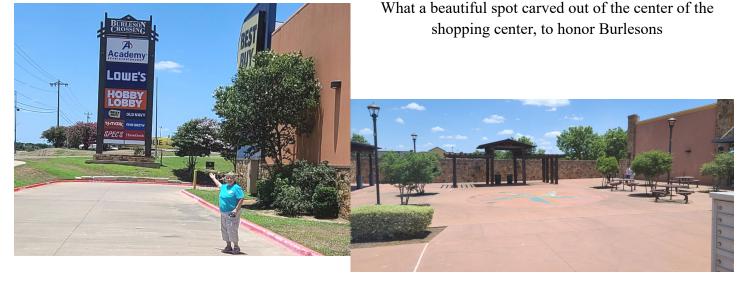
SUSAN MINERVA BURLESON is the granddaughter of Joseph Burleson

John Burleson Taylor is the son of Temperance Burleson and Levi Taylo. Temperance is the Aunt of Rufus Burleson

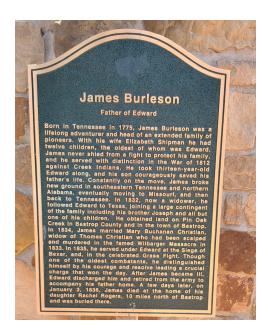
The BFA Reunion was very impressed with these 3 young people, it was great to see the younger generation taking an interest in preserving our heritage

We also visited Burleson Crossing in Bastrop where there were 3 plaques listing early Burleson pioneers.











Descendants of JOSEPH R (JOE) SR BURLESON

JOSEPH R (JOE) SR⁵ BURLESON (AARON⁴, JONATHAN³, JOHN², EDWARD¹) was born 01 Feb 1770 in RUTHERFORD CO, NC, and died 02 Aug 1849 in SMITHVILLE, BASTROP, TX FAG#7253729. He married (1) NANCY GAGE 28 Feb 1790, daughter of DAVID GAGE and ESTER. She was born 19 Jun 1772 in WOODBURY, ORANGE CO, NY, and died 19 Jan 1815 in MADISON CO, AL FAG#101615109. He married (2) ELIZABETH AYLOR 15 Feb 1815 in MADISON CO, AL. She was born 17 Apr 1788, and died 08 Apr 1858 in PRAIRIE LEA, CALDWELL CO, TX FAG#55537569.

Children of JOSEPH BURLESON and NANCY GAGE are:

- i. JAMES RANDOLPH⁶ BURLESON, b. 06 Feb 1793, SANDY RUN CREEK, RUTHERFORD, NC; d. 01 Jul 1868, FORDS PRAIRIE, FAYETTE, TX FAG#49428883; m. (1) MALINDA ARNETTA SEVIER; m. (2) SIBRA; m. (3) AMANDA VAN DYKE, 30 Nov 1816, Madison, AL; b. 1827, GA.
- JOHN (HOPPING JOHNNIE) BURLESON, b. 19 Oct 1795, Rutherford Co, NC; d. 13 Apr 1878, Lampasas, TX; m. (1) SARAH KATHERINE MCGINNIS; m. (2) MARY MARGARET (PEGGY) PRIDE, 14 Feb 1814, Madison, AL; b. 1796; d. 17 Mar 1847, Gonzales, TX.
- iii. MARY A. (POLLY) BURLESON, b. 02 Jan 1798, RUTHERFORD CO, NC; d. 03 Nov 1876, Gonzales, TX FAG#101600547; m. RICHARD LEE PRIEST, 20 Feb 1815, Madison, AL; b. 15 Oct 1792, RUSSELL CO, VA; d. 19 Jul 1859, GONZALES CO, TX FAG#101597784.
- iv. JONATHAN BURLESON, b. 28 Jun 1801.
- v. RACHEL BURLESON, b. 14 Apr 1803, Tipton Co, TN; d. 19 Feb 1866, Bastrop, TX 38018112; m. WM D. C. JONES, 04 Sep 1822, Lawrence Co, AL; b. 13 Dec 1799, King and Queen Co, VA; d. 18 Apr 1893, Belmont, Gonzales Co, TX.
- vi. AARON BURLESON, b. 24 Nov 1805, JACKSON CO, TN; d. 15 Jul 1868, SMITHVILLE, BASTROP CO, TX 37386081; m. MARIDA HALLMARK, 29 Jan 1824; b. 08 Oct 1808, MADISON CO, AL; d. 01 Aug 1888, FAYETTE CO, TX.
- vii. JOSEPH JR BURLESON, b. 04 Mar 1808, WASHINGTON CO, TN; d. 1891, BURNET CO, TX FAG#43116159; m. ALLIE MURRAY SEATON; b. 05 Aug 1807, TN; d. 16 Jul 1881, SMITHVILLE, BASTROP CO, TX FAG#38018080.
- viii. SARAH BURLESON, b. 25 Aug 1810, MAdison, Al; d. Oct 1857, FREESTONE CO, TX FAG#24999232; m. HOPSON H BURLESON, 1825, AL; b. 24 Jan 1806, RUTHERFORD CO, NC; d. 04 Jul 1882, KIRVIN, FREESTONE CO, TX FAG#24997860.

Children of JOSEPH BURLESON and ELIZABETH AYLOR are:

- ix. ABIGAIL⁶ BURLESON, b. 02 Dec 1817; d. 25 Jun 1822.
- x. NANCY GLOVER BURLESON, b. 28 Jan 1821; d. 05 Jul 1835.
- xi. Susannah M (SUSAN) Burleson, b. 11 Nov 1824, LAWRENCE CO, AL; d. 04 Mar 1860, CALDWELL CO, TX FAG#55725352; m. THOMAS MONROE HARDEMAN, 24 Jun 1840; b. 30 Sep 1814, BOLIVAR, HARDEMAN CO, TN; d. 14 Sep 1862, KNOXVILLE, KNOX CO, TN.
- xii. MARION WASHINGTON BURLESON, b. 15 Dec 1827; d. 04 Aug 1856.
- xiii. PEGGY MALINDA SMITH BURLESON, b. 25 Oct 1830.

VOLLEY BURLESON TIMELINE

1795 Buncombe, NC-1868 Hills Prairie, Bastrop, TX

By Susanne Hollyfield, 2019-2022

"Going to Texas was Heaven for Men and Dogs

It was Hell for Women and Oxen"

1791- My lifetime spanned from George Washington to a little past Abe Lincoln, remarkable years for the United States. For complete time line go to http://www.bfrg.info/bfrg/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/VOLLEY-BURLESON-Story-Presentation-Autosaved.pdf

This is a presentation by Susanna Hollyfield, (https://youtu.be/Hy7Hr2Lw54Y) at the Burleson Family Association (BFA) in Austin, Texas in June 2022. Susanna was in period attire and did an excellent job in presenting attire.! the life of Volley Burleson. Also Susanna insisted I join her in my Overmountain Victory Trail Association (OVTA) https://youtu.be/Hy7Hr2Lw54Y



Major Milestones

JOHN BURLESON OBITUARY Dec. 14, 1956 - Aug. 19, 2022

John Edward Burleson, Jr. went to be with his Lord and Savior on August 19, 2022. John is survived by his wife, Debra; his children, Jim (Kristi), Scott (Catherine), and Meg; his grandchildren, Lucy and Jane; his mother, Carolyne; and his brother, Charles.

A lifelong resident of Waco, TX, John graduated from Richfield High School in 1975, Baylor University in 1979, and Baylor Law School in 1981. John was a long-time member of Columbus Avenue Baptist Church, where he married Debra in 1979. He served the church in numerous capacities including Sunday School Director and Deacon. John had a unique gift for service, a gift he sought to use wherever needed.

He faithfully worked at the same law firm his entire career, eventually becoming a partner. He served in many local organizations, including the Optimist Club, Rotary, the Board of Directors at First National Bank of Central Texas, mentor through Kids Hope USA, Greater Waco Legal Services, and others, most for a decade or longer.

John was a devoted champion of his Baylor Bears. With his family in tow, John traveled thousands of miles to watch Baylor games and rarely missed a football, basketball, or baseball game at home.



His family was privileged to watch him live out his faith to the end, looking forward to heaven yet not wanting to leave us. He was our steady rock, guiding us along our journey. We mourn his passing, but celebrate a life well lived.

We especially want to thank his friends who drove him to MD Anderson and sat with him through treatments. We want to thank the countless doctors, nurses, and staff at MDA who cared for John throughout his diagnoses of CLL and Hodgkin's Lymphoma and ultimately his successful stem cell transplant.

In lieu of flowers, we encourage donations to Kids Hope USA through Columbus Avenue Baptist Church, the Waco Symphony Foundation, or Compassion Ministries. We also encourage anyone who is able (ages 18-40) to register as a potential donor through Be the Match, as we saw firsthand the importance of this vital registry.

during business hours Thursday and Friday at Connally-Compton, 4400 West Waco Drive.

There will be a gathering of remembrance Friday evening from 5-6:30 p.m. at Fellowship Hall, Columbus Avenue Baptist Church. Dress for Friday evening is casual with Baylor attire encouraged for those who wish to join in. Please join the family for a Celebration of Life at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, August 27, in the Sanctuary at Columbus Avenue Baptist Church, 1300 Columbus Avenue. Visitation will be available

John Burleson Jr's family line is, John Burleson Sr, Edward &Maurine Couch Burleson, Richard &Ida Bloodworth Burleson, Rufus & Georgia Jenkins Burleson, Jonathan & Elizabeth Byrd Burleson, John & Abigail Adair Burleson, Aaron &?Rachael Hendricks/Graves Burleson.

Helen Christine Parker

October 17, 1929 ~ August 28, 2022 (age 92)

Helen Hartsell Parker, 92, of Albemarle, passed away Sunday, August 28, 2022 at Tucker Hospice House in Kannapolis.

Helen was born October 17, 1929 in North Carolina to the late Farrington Houston Hartsell and the late Lela Whitley Hartsell. She was also preceded in death by husband of 56 years, Craven Brantley Parker; son, Joel Wayne Parker; and siblings, Evelyn follow at the Kendalls Baptist Church Cemetery at 32157 Kendalls Church Road, New London.Hartsell, Clyde Hartsell, Ruby Whitley, Boyce Hartsell, and Claudine "Deaner" Corl.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm, Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at Hartsell Funeral Home of Albemarle. The funeral service will follow on Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at 2:00pm at Hartsell Funeral Home's Lefler Memorial Chapel in Albemarle officiated by Pastor Tony Thomas and Pastor David Blalock. Burial will immediately



Survivors include children, Ronnie (Audrey) Hartsell, Tim (Sharon) Parker, Sylvia (Pat) Medlin, and Neal (Capri Williams) Parker; grandchildren, Sherry, Ronnie Ray, Steve, Melissa, Emily, Darrell, Tonya, Teresa, and Ricky; great-grandchildren, Stephanie, Chase, Mason, Grace, Jacob, Mikayla, Andrew, Alainna, Zoie, Wyatt, Abby, Ryan, Blake, Brantley, Alston, and Bryson; 5 great-grandchildren; sister, Clara Jean Furr; daughter-in-law, Kristi Almond and her sons, Bradley and Tyler; and many nieces and nephews.

Helen loved her family and put them first. She loved her church family and attending church at Immanuel Baptist Church as often as her health would allow. Helen also enjoyed gardening and loved her cats.

Helen's family would like to express their deepest gratitude to all of the caregivers that have assisted her in the past few years.

Helen's Burleson Family line is through her husband Craven Brantley Parker, William & Inez Huneycutt Parker, Brantley & Isabella Bowers Parker, Daniel & Susannah Burleson Bowers, William (Billie) & Sarah (Sary) Harwood Burleson, Isaac Jr. and Catherine Castle Burleson, Isaac Sr. and Martha Clay Burleson (NC Soldier in American Revolution.

MARTHA BURLESON OBITUARY

Martha Lee Burleson July 5, 1938 - August 5, 2022

Charlotte, North Carolina - Martha Lee Burleson, 84, of Charlotte, passed away August, 5, 2022. She was born July 5th of 1938, in Statesville, NC to John and Thelma Wright. Martha Lee lived an extraordinary life, mirroring a movie from the Golden Age Hollywood. Her parents moved to Oakdale, just north of Charlotte, and began a new chapter of their life together, along with her brother Tommy.

Martha Lee was a true Southern Belle, with stunning good looks, keen intellect, style, charisma, and the confidence to see her through the trials and tribulations of life.

She came from a humble, hard-working family. Her father and mother instilled a strong work ethic in her at a young age, as she helped her mother in the house and with her brother when her mother had to go to work. As Martha Lee blossomed into a young woman, her beauty was acknowledged by numerous titles. In 1955, she was named West Mecklenburg High School's "Class Beauty". Later that same year, she would be crowned the "Dairy Queen of Mecklenburg County", as well as the "Carrousel Princess". Martha Lee was an exceptional student, graduating in 1956 as a Beta Club member, and a member of the cheer squad. She went on to study at Winthrop College in Rock Hill, SC, where she was one of 27 freshmen women chosen to compete in the Freshman Beauty Contest at Winthrop, and was studying to be a secretary

Her time at Winthrop ended after her freshman year as she became engaged to her high school sweetheart, Ray Burleson. The two were married on September 15th, 1957 at Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church. The couple began their new life in Oakdale, and had their first child, Steve in 1959 and their daughter Susan followed in 1963.

After moving to Columbia, SC for seven years, the family moved back to Charlotte. In 1974, they welcomed their third and final child, John. Not long after John was born, Ray and Martha Lee founded The Tool & Gage House. She worked the phones and inside sales while Ray was on the road. Once the business was off and running Martha Lee focused her attention on her family, social clubs, and charities.

Always the overachiever, Martha Lee was the Awards Chairman for the Charlotte Council of Garden Clubs in 1982, and the President of the Charity League of Charlotte from 1988-89. She was active in the Charity League for many years before and after, helping the children of Charlotte. Martha Lee's beauty and style carried over into her artwork. She successfully applied her talent to any medium she desired: painting, fashion, illustration, crochet, needle point, traditional and abstract quilting. She won numerous regional and national awards for her quilts, which pushed the boundaries of texture and design.

She was well known by her friends and family for her handmade holiday and birthday cards. Each card was its own unique piece, thoughtfully crafted for its recipient. These cards are cherished by those lucky enough to have received them. Martha Lee also had an adventurous spirit. She was a world traveler and visited spots all over the globe. The lavender fields of Provence, France was her favorite place outside of the U.S., and inspired many of her art pieces.

Her home in Charlotte was a reflection of her varied interest, style, and elegance. It is a tribute to her eye for design and artwork, as well as to her green thumb. Martha Lee's garden was well known as a marvel hidden away in South Charlotte. She started with a bare field when she and Ray moved into the Carmel Road house and created the lush sanctuary it is today. It is yet another testimony to how she molded beauty into the world around her.

All of these wonderful talents and adventures pale in comparison to Martha Lee's greatest accomplishment, her family. She is part of a legacy which is truly extraordinary. For a moment in time, she was the center link in a five generation living chain which consisted of her grandmother Hessie Jane Wright, father John C. Wright, Martha Lee, her daughter Susan Burleson, and grandson Paul Veto.

After Ray passed in 2002, she held the family together, and navigated those waters with grace, helping to guide her children and grandchildren through those difficult times. She helped turn sorrow into positive motivation, while she mourned the loss of her partner and true love.

Martha Lee had spent her last two weeks at her favorite place, Pawley's Island, SC with family. She loved the beach and the sound of the ocean waves crashing into the sand, and loved nothing more than watching the ocean. Gretchen, John's wife, and their three youngest sons spent the first week with her. The following week was spent with her grandson Paul and his family.

Martha Lee spent those weeks making memories, which in retrospect, were magical. As one would expect from an extraordinary life such as Martha Lee's, her exit from this world was graceful, and seemed to be scripted.

On Friday night she told everyone goodnight and that she loved them. Her youngest great-granddaughter Caroline rushed over to Martha Lee, hugging her tight and saying: "I love you Granny." She looked down at Caroline and said: "I love you too sweetheart." With that, Martha Lee went to bed, and peacefully passed away during the night.

She is predeceased by her mother Thelma Wright, her father John C. Wright, her husband H. Ray Burleson and her grandson William Cowles Burleson.

Martha Lee is survived by her sons, Steven Ray Burleson, of Taxahaw, SC and John Edward Burleson his wife Gretchen Snyder Burleson, of Charlotte; daughter, Susan Burleson, of Charlotte; and brother, Tommy Wright, also of Charlotte. In addition, Martha Lee is survived by her grandchildren, Paul David Veto and his wife Laura Beth Veto, Coley Ray Burleson, Emily Ann Burleson, Mac C.S. Snyder, Wyatt Lee Burleson, Charles James Burleson, Bodhi Xhaviar Burleson; and great-grandchildren, Annabel Lee Veto and Caroline Veto.

A service to celebrate Martha Lee's life will be held at 5 o'clock on Thursday, August 11, at McEwen Funeral Service Pineville Chapel, Charlotte. The family will receive guests before and after the service starting at 4 pm.Condolences may be offered at www.McEwenPinevilleChapel.com

Myra Heglar Shaver January 14, 1945 - August 30, 2022

Myra Heglar Shaver, 77, of New London, NC, passed away Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at Atrium Health Cabarrus. Her funeral service will be 2pm Friday, September 2, 2022 in the Stanly Funeral Home Chapel with Marc Sessions officiating. Burial will follow in the Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 11:30am until 1:30pm at the funeral home prior to the service.

She was born January 14, 1945 in Albemarle, NC to the late Grady Heglar and Edith Pierce Heglar. Myra was a homemaker and a member of Antioch Baptist Church, Richfield, NC. She loved cooking, flower gardening, canning tomatoes when they were in season and eating pickles.



Myra is survived by her husband, Walter Samuel Shaver, Jr., of the home, two sons, Roger Scott Burleson of Albemarle, NC and Nicholas Alexander Burleson (Kelly Jo) of New London, NC and a daughter, Tamalla Star Burleson Lum (Randall) of Melborne, FL.

Myra Heglar's Burleson Family Line is through her first husband Roger Burleson son of, Dewell Lagette &Emma Louise Cagle Burleson, William Wesley & Ida Belle Hahn Burleson, Augustus (Gue) & Isabel Whitley Burleson, William and Margaret Ann Hatley Burleson, Billie and Sarah Harwood Burleson, Isaac Jr. and Catherine Castle Burleson, Isaac Sr. and Martha Clay Burleson (NC Soldier in American Revolution

Revonne Bowers Hatley

April 15, 1938 ~ August 23, 2022 (age 84)

Revonne Bowers Hatley, 84, of Albemarle, passed away Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at Taylor House in Albemarle.

Mrs. Hatley was born April 15, 1938, in Albemarle, North Carolina to the late Carlie Lee Bowers and the late Edith Burleson Bowers.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Ted Hatley; brothers, Calvin Bowers of Albemarle, NC and Micky Bowers of Albemarle, NC.

The family will receive friends from 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, Friday, August 26, 2022, at Hartsell Funeral Home in Albemarle, North Carolina. The graveside service will follow at 3:00 pm at Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery, 22182 Canton Road in Albemarle and will be officiated by Elder Broadway. Burial will follow at the Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery at 22182 Canton Road in Albemarle, North Carolina.



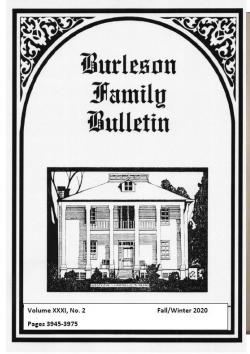
Mrs. Hatley is survived by her daughter, Cathy Deal and husband, Mark of Albemarle, NC; a sister, Monica Layton and husband, Kenny of Albemarle NC; a brother, Hurley Bowers of Albemarle NC; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

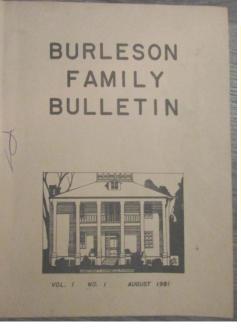
Hartsell Funeral Home of Albemarle is serving the Hatley family.

Revonne Bowers' Burleson Family Line, Carlie Lee & Edith Burleson Bowers, William Wesley & Ida Belle Hahn Burleson, Augustus (Gue) & Isabel Whitley Burleson, William and Margaret Ann Hatley Burleson, Billie and Sarah Harwood Burleson, Isaac Jr. and Catherine Castle Burleson, Isaac Sr. and Martha Clay Burleson (NC Soldier in American Revolution

We would like to encourage everyone interest in Burleson Family History, to join the Burleson Family Association (BFA) information is at https://www.burlesonfamilyassociation.org/join-renew-contact

They have been publishing Bulletins since 1981 and they are full of Burleson History.







Shipmans in the Carolinas and the First Texas Revolution

There are few events recorded about Moses Shipman's eleven years back in North and South Carolina. However, big changes were going on in the United States and Texas during this time that affect our family.

During these eleven years, the country is growing and changing. There is more immigration from Europe, expansion into new territories, the building of roads, the introduction of steamboat travel, and opportunities to acquire cheap land encouraged movement further west.

For this part of the story, I will present it in a timeline fashion, looking at what was going on in the United States, in the future state of Texas, and what some of our extended family was doing.

1803

- The Federal Road was conceived and the building started in 1805. With the Creeks permitting the road to cross their nation, it connected Milledgeville, Georgia, and Fort Stoddert, an American outpost north of Mobile, Alabama.¹
- 1803 was also the year of the Louisiana Purchase which doubled the size of the United States. After the United States purchased Louisiana, Spain wanted a stronger military presence in Texas. The Second Flying Company of San Carlos de Parras, the **Alamo** de Parras Company, was sent to make their headquarters in San Antonio at the San Antonio de Valero Mission which had been closed.² Despite Spain's efforts, the city of Nacogdoches was attracting immigrants from the United States.
- Moses Shipman, his wife Mary, and his two sons, Daniel (1801-1881) and Edward (1803-1836) returned to North Carolina from Tennessee.

1804

- The Lewis and Clark Expedition began to explore the lands of the new Louisiana Purchase and westward to the Pacific Coast.
- The boundary lines of the Mississippi Territory were expanded northward to the Tennessee state line.
- Moses Austin, the great-grandson of Anthony Austin and the neighbor of Edward Burlisson (ABT. 1650-1698), had moved his business from Austinville, Virginia to the Spanish territory of present-day Missouri. Austin moved to a lead mining settlement called *Mine au Breton* and acquired a grant from the Spanish Empire. He started a large-scale mining operation and built a small town he named Potosi, after the famous silver mines in Bolivia.

Moses Austin's son, **Stephen Fuller Austin**, the future **Father of Texas**, was eleven years old and attending school in Colchester, Connecticut at the Bacon Academy.



A View of the Lead Mines of Missouri by Henry Rowe Schoolcraft, 1819

Over the next few years, the transfer of the territory to the United States stimulated immigration and Moses' business grew and seemed to prosper. Moses "Austin was thought to be, and apparently considered himself, well to do, but it is

¹ "eReference Desk," access date September 9, 2022, https://www.ereferencedesk.com/resources/state-history-timeline/alabama.html

² Jesus "Frank" de la Teja, "Texas in the Age of Mexican Independence," *TSHA Texas State Historical Association*, last modified May 2, 2022, https://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/entries/texas-in-the-age-of-mexican-independence

doubtful whether his wealth was not always speculative. The turnover in his various ventures was very slow, collections were uncertain, and his debts were chronically pressing."³

1805

Moses and Mary Shipman had their next child, a daughter, Mary, born in North Carolina on September 28, 1805.

1806

- Congress authorized the National Road to be built from Cumberland, Maryland to the Ohio River.
- On November 5, 1806, an agreement to establish a **Neutral Territory** between Louisiana (US) and Texas (Mexico) was signed. There were no official borders, so neither nation could enforce laws in the territory. This area became popular with outlaws and escaped slaves. In this area was also, Caddo Lake. In this part of the Neutral Territory, there were saloons, brothels, a racetrack, rooster fights, and a violent death every day. **Jean Lafitte**, visited this area on several occasions.

1807

• James and Jo Elizabeth Shipman (Jacob Shipman's daughter) Burleson were living in North Carolina on 200 acres of land near Ashville. There was a dispute over the title. North Carolina had issued military and civil land warrants to veterans, pioneers, and land companies. This resulted in duplicate and overlapping titles that were disputed. James' land was disputed and he was threatened with a lawsuit.

According to David Burleson's article "The Forgotten War," in 1807 or 1808, James along with his brothers, **Joseph** and John moved to the Mississippi Territory. James' neighbor a few miles down the river was **David Crockett**.⁴ These men, several of their sons, and other members of the family all fought in the Creek Indian Wars of 1812. Several of these men went on to help create the independent nation of the Republic of Texas.

1808

The Kuykendalls and their extended family began their migration to Arkansas.

Jo Elizabeth *Shipman* Burleson was the daughter of Jacob and Sarah *Kuykendall* Shipman (later referred to as old aunt Sarah Saling). This is just one connection of the Burleson and Shipman families to the Kuykendalls.

Jo Elizabeth *Kuykendall* Shipman was not the only Kuykendall who played a role in the development of Texas, so the migration of the Kuykendall family should also be noted. Mike Cox, a Texas historian, put it this way, "The Kuykendall family roots go deeper in Texas than most oak trees."

You may recall from an earlier article that Jo Elizabeth's grandfather, Abraham Kuykendall (1719-1812) moved before 1782 with his brother Peter (1719-1783) to Washington County (now) Tennessee. When Peter died in 1783, Abraham had the care of his estate and younger children. Abraham moved back to North Carolina where he lived until he died in 1812.

Peter Kuykendall had a son named Adam (1756-) who married Margaret *Hardin* (1758-1850), the daughter of Colonel Joseph Hardin (1734-1801) and Jean *Gibson* Hardin (1742-1817). To understand more about the relationship and mindset of Adam and Colonel Joseph, I am including the following paragraph from the book, *They Slept Upon Their Rifles*⁵:

...when Adam was about 23 years old, he sold a piece of land in Lincoln County, North Carolina (present day Lincoln County is 75 miles north of present day York County, South Carolina) and probably took his family and maybe his father, Peter, and moved to Washington District (now Tennessee), which was still a

³ Barker, Eugene C., The Life of Stephen F. Austin Founder of Texas, 1793-1836. (Austin: University of Texas Press, 1985). 16-17.

⁴ Jenkins, John H. and Kenneth Kesselus, *Edward Burleson Texas Frontier Leader*, (Austin: Jenkins Publishing Company, 1990). 7.

⁵ Kuykendall, Marshall E., They Slept Upon Their Rifles. (Fort Worth, NorTex Press, 2005). 23-24.

part of North Carolina, where he shows up on the tax rolls in 1781, with 150 acres and some livestock. Adam probably moved over the mountains into present day eastern Tennessee in the company of his father-in-law, Col. Joseph Hardin, either soon after the sale or just after the battle of Ramsour's Mill, which had occurred near their lands on Knob Creek in Lincoln County, North Carolina, on June 20, 1780. (Joseph Hardin was one of the officers in that battle and Adam's brother, Matthew, was also in the battle.) Many of these participants had to flee with all their possessions after that battle to escape the Tories. Ramsey⁶ said, "Many were forced, in their turn, to forsake their plantations, and transport their families beyond the mountains to the securer retreats of Watuaga and Nollichucky." This also coincides with movement of the British General Ferguson and his troops into that same area near the mountains that separated North Carolina from Tennessee, Gilbert Town, near present day Rutherfordton, and from which point he sent the threatening message to the Over Mountain people that if they did not lay down their arms and cease opposition to the Crown, "he would march his army over, burn and lay waste their country and hang their leaders." The reaction by Sevier, Shelby, and other leaders was instantaneous and they immediately decided to attack Ferguson before he could attack them, which sparked the great battle at Kings Mountain later in October. Interestingly, many of the families including the Kuykendalls and the Hardins, who escaped over the mountains probably in the summer of 1780, would join the Over the Mountain Men from Tennessee in October in their historic forced march out of eastern Tennessee on their way to their victory at Kings Mountain.7

"Adam and Margaret Kuykendall had seven known children that survived infancy:

Abner, b. ca 1777-1834, m. Sarah (Sallie) Gates. (Died in Texas.)

Amos, b ca 1781-ca. 1845, m. to Elizabeth (?). (Died in Arkansas.)

Robert H. b. ca 1790-1830, m. Sarah Ann Gilleland. (Died in Texas.)

Joseph, b. ca 1794-ca 1873, m. 1st Rosana (Annie), 2nd, Eliza J. Jones. (Died in Texas.)

Adam, Jr., b. ca 1796-1845, m. Falbey (Falray) Goza. (Died in Arkansas.)

Peter, b. ca 1897-ca 1845, m. Sarah Hacker, daughter of Frederick Hacker. (Died in Arkansas).

Sally, (unknown b.) m. 1st, Wiley Blount; 2nd John Murray. (Died probably in Arkansas.)"

Adam's son Abner Kuykendall (ABT. 1777-1834) married Sarah Elizabeth "Sally" *Gates* Kuykendall (1783-1823). "The Kuykendalls and the related families of the Gates and the Hardins began their move into Missouri Territory (Arkansas)" after March of 1808. Three of Adam's sons "would go to Texas with Stephen F. Austin in 1821, Abner, Robert, Joseph as the earliest members of Austin's Old 300.8

Note: Some of you may have heard of John Wesley Hardin. He was known for his gunfighting. He was the great-grandson of Colonel Joseph Hardin. Colonel Joseph had a son Benjamin II. Colonel Joseph's first son Benjamin, referred to as Benjamin I, was killed at Licklogin by Indians in Greene County, Tennessee. Colonel Joseph named his next son born after Benjamin's death, Benjamin II. Benjamin II had a son named James Gibson Hardin. James Gibson Hardin was the father of John Wesley Hardin. Oddly enough, John Wesley Hardin was distantly related to Jo Elizabeth Shipman Burleson. Jo Elizabeth married Captain James Burleson; her first cousin once removed. This means that John Wesley Hardin is also distantly related to James Burleson.

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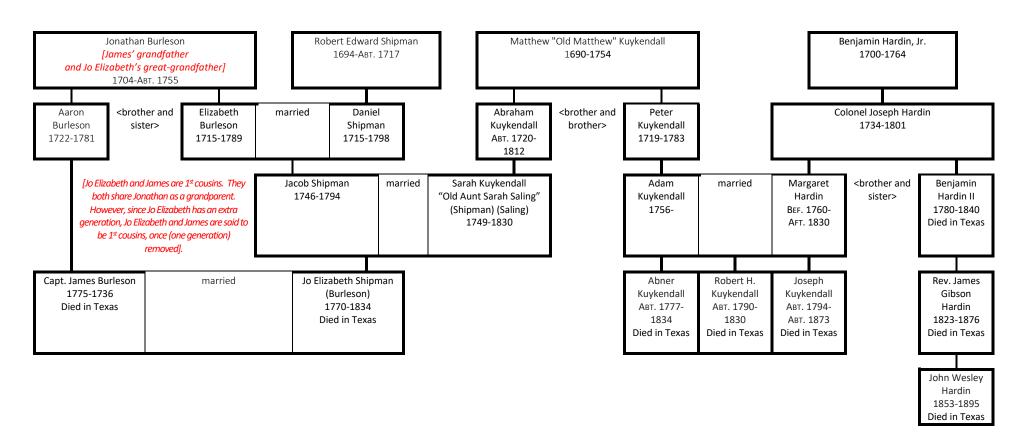
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⁶ Ramsey refers to: Ramsey, James Gettys McGready, *The Annals of Tennessee to the End of the Eighteenth Century* (Charleston, John Russell, 1853). p 209.

⁷ Kuykendall, They Slept Upon Their Rifles, 23-24

⁸ Ibid, 37.

- John Wesley Hardin TX Gunfighter -John's relationship to Captain James grandnephew of wife of 1st cousin 1x removed of wife.
- Rev. James Gibson Hardin -Father of John Wesley Hardin TX Gunfighter
- Benjamin Hardin II 1780-1840 -Father of Rev. James Gibson Hardin
- Col. Joseph Hardin 1734-1801 -Father of Benjamin Hardin II
- Margaret Hardin (Kuykendall) 1758-1850 -Daughter of Col. Joseph Hardin
- Adam Kuykendall 1756- -Husband of Margaret Hardin (Kuykendall)
- <u>Peter Kuykendall 1719-1783</u> -Father of Adam Kuykendall
- Matthew "Old Matthew" Kuykendall -Father of Peter and Abraham Kuykendall
- Abraham Kuykendall 1720-1812 -Son of Matthew "Old Matthew" Kuykendall
- Sarah Kuykendall (Shipman)(Saling) 1749-1830 -Daughter of Abraham Kuykendall
- Jo Elizabeth Shipman (Burleson) 1770-1834 -Daughter of Sarah Kuykendall (Shipman)(Saling)
- <u>Capt James B. Burleson Sr</u> -Husband of Jo Elizabeth Shipman (Burleson)



• Mary and Moses Shipman had a son, John McMinn Shipman born in North Carolina on March 17, 1808. John's middle name McMinn was to honor the McMinn family. Mary's sister Elizabeth Jane "Betsy" Robinson (1780-1858) married John Andrew McMinn (1776-1808). John was the son of Robert (1750-1797) and Jane Kuykendall (1751-1843) McMinn. Jane Kuykendall McMinn was the daughter of Abraham (1719-1812) and Elizabeth Fidler (1728-1805) Kuykendall and the sister of Sarah Kuykendall Shipman who married Jacob Shipman (1746-1794) and later, after Jacob's death, George Saling. Daniel Shipman referred to Sarah as "old aunt Sarah Saling" in his book Frontier Life. Moses' uncle, the son of Daniel Sr. (1715-1798) and Elizabeth Burleson Shipman (1715-1789) was Daniel Shipman, Jr. (1747-1794). Daniel Jr. married Mary Elizabeth McMinn Shipman (1752-1808). Mary was the daughter of Abraham McMinn (1719-1778) and Elizabeth Van Zandt (1735-1800) McMinn.



Elizabeth Jane *Robinson* McMinn is buried at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Henderson, North Carolina. This is the same cemetery where there is a memorial tombstone for Jacob Shipman, brother of Daniel Shipman, Jr.

1809

- James Madison was inaugurated as the fourth president of the United States. His wife, Dolly was a native North Carolinian. When the British army burned Washington, Dolly packed papers, furnishings, and Gilbert Stuart's portrait of George Washington, saving them for the country.
- In 1809, Joseph (1770-1849), John (1767-1824), and James (1775-1836) Burleson "and about 200 other families were 'intruders' on the Indian lands," in Limestone County, Alabama as documented on the list of intruders' document. After this, James and John moved to Madison County and Joseph moved to the New Madrid area of Missouri.

1810

- The population of the United States was 7,239,881 (currently the city of New York City has a population of 8.3 million) with the center of the population located 40 miles northwest of Washington, D C. in the state of Virginia.
- The Illinois Territory was formed from the Northwest Territory.



- My 3x's great-grandmother, Christiana Reed Shipman was born on August 23, 1810, in South Carolina. Moses moved his family south to Pendleton County, South Carolina but not far from the North Carolina border.
- August 30, 1810, Jacob and Rebecca *Shipman* Francisco were in Lincoln County, Tennessee. This is documented by an order issued for a road crew which included Jacob Francisco.

"Ordered by the court that John Moore, Wm. Y. Higgins, Joseph Thrasher, Thomas Delany, **Jacob Sisco**, David Smith Jr., Eli Smith, Jesse Todd, Jesse George, Samuel Kinnard and Robert Smallings be Viewers, to view, and lay off a Road leading from Fayetteville the nearest and best way to Garlands Mill, to intersect the road leading from Shelbyville, up Flat Creek to the County line one mile from said Mill. Order Issued 30th Aug. 1810." (Lincoln Co. TN. Court Records 1810-13)⁹

Captain Abner Kuykendall and his wife Sarah "Sally" Gates Kuykendall moved into north central Arkansas (Territory
of Missouri) settling near the mouth of Cadron Creek on the east side of the Arkansas River. The settlement was called the
Cadron Settlement.¹⁰

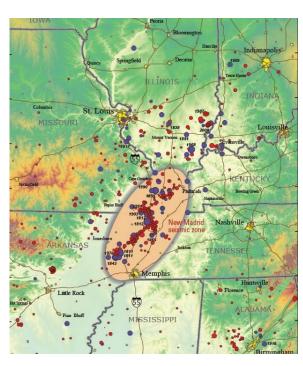
1811

- The first ten miles of the National Road were built.
- The New Madrid Earthquakes occurred. The New Madrid Earthquakes were the biggest in American history occurring in Missouri between December 1811 and February 1812. People as far away as Boston, Montreal, Canada, and Washington D.C. felt the ground shaking from these quakes. Church bells in Boston rang.

"The force of the land upheaval 15 miles south of New Madrid created Reelfoot Lake, drowned the inhabitants of an Indian village; turned the river against itself to flow backward; devastated thousands of acres of virgin forest; and created two temporary waterfalls in the Mississippi."¹¹

Joseph Burleson had just moved over the Ohio River, not far from New Madrid in 1811, when the first earthquake occurred. Ann Royall, the first woman newspaper reporter recorded his experience in her book *Letters From Alabama*. ¹²

The first shock happened in the night when he and his family were all in bed asleep. All of a sudden, they were alarmed by the shaking of the beds; he sprung out of bed, between sleep and awake, but from the reeling of the house he was unable to keep his feet. The hens croaked, and the dogs barked. He could not conceive what it could be. He never thought of an earthquake but concluded that either the house was haunted, or the end of the world was at hand.¹³



1812

Louisiana becomes the 18th state in the Union.

⁹ Shirley Hendrix, *The Search for Daniel's Parents*. Originally published in the Francisco Family Newsletter. Given to me by Paul Sisco.

¹⁰ Kuykendall, They Slept Upon Their Rifles, 212

¹¹ "Strange Happening During the Earthquakes," *New Madrid Missouri*, access date September 9, 2022, http://www.new-madrid.mo.us/132/Strange-Happenings-during-the-Earthquake

¹² Erin Thomas, "Breakdown: Why the Mississippi River once flowed backwards," *KAIT 8 ABC*, published October 17, 2021, https://www.kait8.com/2021/10/17/breakdown-why-mississippi-river-once-flowed-backwards/

¹³ Royall, Anne *Letters From Alabama*. (Washington, 1830), 118. https://archive.org/details/lettersfromalab00royagoog/page/n6/mode/2up

- June 1, 1812, President Madison asked Congress for a declaration of war against Britain. War was declared on June 18. Six days later Napoleon invaded Russia.
- The first Texas Revolution occurred. The first revolution of Texas was between the republican forces of the Gutierrez-Magee expedition and the Spanish royalist army. The men of the expedition were known as the "Republican Army of the North." Encouraged by the United States, they crossed the Neutral Ground in Louisiana into Texas on August 7, 1812. These American filibusters, wanting to annex Texas to the United States took Nacogdoches, La Bahia, and San Antonio from the Spaniards. They issued a "Decatenation of Independence of the State of Texas." The "army" was defeated in the bloodiest battle in Texas history on August 18, 1813. More lives were lost at the Battle of Medina than at the Alamo, Goliad, and San Jacinto combined.



The exact location of the battle which took place south of San Antonio is unknown. There are three historical markers to identify possible locations, one in Bexar County and two in Atascosa County.

The hunt for this battlefield continues today. There are organized architectural digs frequently. Earlier this year a dig was held on land owned by Southside ISD, near Losoya Middle School. This location was chosen because of its proximity to Carmen Church. The church is said to be the location of the burial of the Spanish dead.

This was Texas's first revolution, this was the first time Texas forces fought a young soldier named **Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna**, and it was the first time Texas was a republic. This republic only lasted for four months.

- Moses and Mary Shipman had another son, James Robinson, who was born in South Carolina on April 8, 1813.
- Jacob Sisco (Francisco) served in the War of 1812 as a Private in the Burrus Regiment of the Mississippi Militia. He later settled in Madison County, Alabama.
- From the articles written by David Burleson in the last two *Recollections*, we know the whereabouts of several of the Burlesons who fought in the Creek War that was part of the War of 1812

In September of 1813, Captain James Burleson (1775-1836) led one of Colonel Peter Perkins' companies in the 7th Regiment of Mississippi Territory Militia. The other Burlesons in his company were: Joseph Burleson Sr. (1770-1849), a brother to Captain James (1775-1836); James Burleson Jr. (1793-1868) and Jonathan (John) Burleson Jr. (1795-1878), sons of Joseph Burleson (1770-1849); Jonathan (John) Burleson Sr. (Abt 1767-1824), older brother to Captain James (1775-1836); Lieutenant Jonathan Burleson (1789-1866) and Aaron Burleson (1791-1828) sons of John Burleson (1767-1824); Joseph Burleson Jr. (1800-1877) and Edward Burleson (1798-1851), sons of Captain James (1775-1836). ¹⁴

The four youngest sons of David Burleson (Abt. 1755-1832), David Burleson Jr., William Burleson, Hilkiah Burleson, and Isaac Burleson from West Tennessee joined the militia companies.



¹⁴ David Burleson, "The Forgotten War," Burleson Family Research Group, Recollections Vol. XXV No 1, p.1174

From "the town of Winchester in Franklin County, Tennessee... George Russell, whose great aunt was Henrietta "Dolly" *Burleson* Russell, volunteered along with his friend, David Crockett."¹⁵ "George Russell's uncle William Russell, the nephew of 'Dolly' *Burleson* Russell"¹⁶ also joined the fight. At the death of Major William Russell, his gun was given to James Burleson who later gave the gun to his brother Joseph. This is Joseph's gun that is at the Alamo.

At the battle of Horseshoe Bend, there was another important person in the history of Texas. A young soldier caught the attention of Andrew Jackson. This soldier, who despite being shot in the thigh continued to fight until he had to stop to have the arrow removed and then went back to the fight and was wounded two more times. Years later, this man, **Sam Houston**, led the Texas army in the 1836 revolution in Texas.

1814

- "Daniel [Francisco, the 10-year-old son of Jacob and Rebecca *Shipman* Francisco] goes to Illinois sometime between 1814 and 1816. Alone or with someone?"¹⁷
- "We made our Northwestern start from South Carolina on the 5th of March 1814." Daniel Shipman wrote this in his book *Frontier Life* 65 years after his family left South Carolina.
- "By the latter part of April, [Andrew] Jackson and most of his army left Fort Jackson to return home."

General Pinckney arrived at Fort Jackson on the 20th of April with troops from North and South Carolina. Informed of the general submission of the Creeks, and considering the war virtually at an end, he directed the West Tennesseans to march home, and four hundred of General Doherty's brigade to garrison Fort Williams. The order to the West Tennesseans was so gladly and promptly obeyed that within two hours after its utterance [April 21, 1814.] they were in motion up the Coosa. They pushed forward with great celerity, crossed the Tennessee River, and at Fayetteville were discharged. There Jackson bade them farewell in a stirring address, and then hastened to his own home at the "Hermitage," near Nashville, and indulged a short time in needed repose. ¹⁹

It was exactly 22 years later, to the day, that many of these same Tennesseans had become Texans fighting for independence at an open field along a river called San Jacinto. Andrew Jackson, the former commander at the Battle of Horseshoe Bend became the President of the United States, and he supported the rebellion in Texas. Sam Houston, the soldier who was shot with an arrow in the thigh at Horseshoe Bend became the commander of the Texas armies. Edward Burleson, the young teen who went along with his father Captain James to Horseshoe Bend, became second in command of the Texas forces at San Jacinto. The commander of the Mexican army at San Jacinto was the soldier who fought under Joaquin de Arredondo in the first Texas revolution at the Battle of Medina, Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna.

The War of 1812 between the United States and England was not over. The war between Mexico and Spain had not been fought, so Texas was still under Spanish control.

The stage is set. These were some of the important events leading up to the beginning of opening up Texas for Anglo settlement. These were some of the people who will all come together to play an important role in winning independence for Texas. This was the beginning of the great journey to Texas.

¹⁵ Burleson, "The Forgotten War," 1174.

¹⁶ Ibid

¹⁷ Hendrix, "The Search for Daniel's Parents."

¹⁸ Burleson, "The Forgotten War," Vol. XXV No 2. 1190

¹⁹ Lossing, Benson J. "Chapter XXXIV, War Against the Creek Indians." *Pictorial Field-Book of the War of 1812,* (New York, Harper & Brothers, 1869). 782. https://archive.org/details/cu31924032759619/page/782/mode/2up?view=theater